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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2661
Docket No.: 21.1918

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yoshihiro WATANABE

Serial No. 09/382,458

Group Art Unit: 2661

Confirmation No. 5255

Filed: August 25, 1999

Examiner: Pizarro, R.M.

For: **PATH SETTING CONTROL METHOD AND SWITCHING SYSTEM**

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 26, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on October 26, 2004.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.